

Landowners that have abandoned property on their real property may apply for title by submitting the following documents:

☐ **1. A title application in the landowner's name:**

- a. An *Application for Missouri Title and License* ([DOR-108](#)) for motor vehicles or trailers; or
- b. An *Application for Missouri Watercraft or Outboard Motor Title and Registration* ([DOR-93](#)) for marinecraft.

☐ **2. The General Affidavit ([DOR-768](#), Line 7) can be used to identify the following abandoned property information:**

- a. The circumstances by which the abandoned property came into the landowner's possession;
- b. The landowner's name;
- c. Location of the abandoned property (street & city);
- d. Description of the abandoned property (include year, make, vehicle/hull identification number and any decal or license plate that may be affixed to the property);
- e. Retail/fair market value of the abandoned property;
- f. Signature of landowner.

☐ **3. The appropriate inspection:**

- a. **Original title** on a vehicle, ATV or trailer - a DOR-551 completed by Missouri State Highway Patrol or St. Louis Auto Theft.
- b. **Salvage title** on a vehicle, ATV or trailer - a DOR-551 completed by **any** law enforcement officer.

NOTE: If application for title is not made within six months of the inspection date documented on the DOR-551, the unit must be reinspected.

- c. **Junking Certificate** on a vehicle, ATV or trailer - An *Identification Number Verification and Abandoned Vehicle Inspection* (DOR-5062) completed by any law enforcement officer.
- d. **Boat, motor, or boat trailer** - A *Watercraft and/or Outboard Motor Affidavit of Ownership and Inspection* (DOR-798) completed by Missouri State Water Patrol.

☐ **4. A copy of the signed certified mail receipts (green card), at least 30 days old, indicating the owner/lienholder were sent the notice as required by law. If the certified letter is returned to sender, submit a copy of the envelope stamped "returned to sender" along with a statement from the landowner stating a good faith effort was made to locate a better address for the owner/lienholder.**

☐ **5. A copy of the 30-day notice sent by certified mail to any owner/lienholder (DOR-5227).**

NOTE: If the Department has "No Record" of any owner for the property, the property owner must certify that a search of the property disclosed no other evidence of ownership and that a good faith effort was made to establish whether the abandoned property was titled or licensed in another state. A good faith effort includes checking for license plates, license plate record, temporary permit, inspection sticker decal, or other evidence that indicates possible registration or titling in another state.

☐ **6. Appropriate title fee, processing fee, and state and local taxes based on retail/fair market value. If expeditious title handling is requested, submit a \$5 expeditious fee. Junking certificates are exempt from taxes and title fees.**

NOTE: Title penalties **do not** apply.